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Pennsylvania's March Grain Stocks

HARRISBURG, PA, Mar 31, 2008--- Pennsylvania's **corn** stored in all positions on March 1, 2008 was 58.4 million bushels, up 38 percent from last year's level of 42.2 million bushels, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. On-farm corn stocks amounted to 49 million bushels down 35 percent from December's level. Off-farm stocks were 9.4 million bushels.

Wheat stored off farms totaled 5.1 million bushels, down 27 percent from last year, and down 16 percent from December 2007's total of 6.2 million bushels. **Soybeans** stored off farms totaled 2.997 million bushels down 18 percent from December. **Barley** stored off farms was 188 thousand bushels, down 62 thousand bushels from December. **Oats** stored in all positions were 2.5 million bushels, 2.1 million on farm and 350 thousand off farm.

Pennsylvania's on-farm stocks of corn and oats are the only two commodities published; all other commodities are not published separately but instead are included with an unallocated National total.

For the **United States**, **corn** stocks in all positions on March 1, 2008 totaled 6.86 billion bushels, up 13 percent from March 1, 2007. Of the total stocks, 3.78 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 14 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.08 billion bushels, are up 12 percent from a year ago. The December 2007 - February 2008 indicated disappearance is 3.42 billion bushels, compared with 2.86 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Soybeans stored in all positions on March 1, 2008 totaled 1.43 billion bushels, down 20 percent from March 1, 2007. Soybean stocks stored on farms are estimated at 593 million bushels, down 35 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 835 million bushels, are down 5 percent from last March. Indicated disappearance for the December 2007 - February 2008 quarter totaled 904 million bushels, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

All **wheat** stored in all positions on March 1, 2008 totaled 710 million bushels, down 17 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 92.0 million bushels, down 52 percent from last March. Off-farm stocks, at 618 million bushels, are down 7 percent from a year ago. The December 2007 - February 2008 indicated disappearance is 422 million bushels, down 8 percent from the same period a year earlier.

